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FIFTEENTH
Annual Report
OF THE
Town of Old Orchard



FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JAN. 31, 1898

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL
REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF
OLD ORCHARD
MAINE

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1898



SACO, MAINE:
W. L. STREETER, PRINTER.
1898.

TOWN OFFICERS, 1897.

MODERATOR,

E. H. MILLIKEN.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR,

E. M. YATES,

C. F. STAPLES,

B. F. MILLIKEN.

CLERK AND TREASURER,

WILLIAM J. C. MILLIKEN.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

FRED I. LUCE.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

JARED WHITMAN,

FRED ELLSWORTH.

A. O. FRENCH.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

W. H. H. McALLISTER.

TOWN AGENT,

EDWARD M. YATES.

BOARD OF HEALTH,

JESSE A. RANDALL, M. D.,

G. W. BUTLER.

J. M. WOODBURY.

AUDITOR,

AUSTIN H. FISKE.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

J. IRWIN MACKEY.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR,

F. A. WHITTIER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SEWERS,

J. WESLEY DUFF.

CONSTABLE,

W. A. WHITTIER.

SPECIAL POLICE,

W. A. WHITTIER,	CLARENCE G. LIBBY,
J. WESLEY DUFF,	J. P. GOODWIN,
H. L. HILDRETH,	BENJ. F. RICHARDS,
AUSTIN FISKE,	ISAAC C. ESTES,
MARBLE COUSENS,	CHAS. F. MADDOX,
EDWARD MCPHEE,	E. J. ATWOOD,
W. J. MEWER,	IRVING T. HOUGH,
W. A. GOOGINS,	J. W. PORTER,
J. R. KIRKPATRICK,	ELI ROGERS,
GILBERT WILEY,	JOSHUA BERRY,
HARRY W. RICKER,	IRVING CASWELL,

JOHN F. HAINES.

TRUANT OFFICER,

W. A. WHITTIER.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER, MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK,

J. F. LOMBARD,	H. A. G. MILLIKEN,
B. F. MILLIKEN,	J. P. MILLIKEN,

W. J. MEWER.

POUND KEEPER,

J. F. LOMBARD.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

F. H. LIBBY,

TOWN WEIGHER,

C. W. GORHAM.

FENCE VIEWERS,

FRANK MOSES,	JOHN LYONS.
JACOB GEGENHEIMER.	

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS RECORDED FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1898

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAME OF PARENTS.
1897.			
April 9	Marion Louise	Female	Bina C. and Thos. L. Cleaves
May 10		Male	Mayy A. and Chas. A. Wing.
July 1		Female	Sadie G. and H. A. Hutchinson
" 12		Male	Lillian and Jesse A. Randall
" 19		Female	Alice M. and Judson F. Carter
Aug. 16	Josephine	Female	Azelie and Casimir Cote
" 23		Male	Emma E. and Jas. A. Nichols
Oct. 13	Mabel	Female	Jennie F. and Wm. G. Taylor
" 30		Female	Eva and Austin H. Fiske
Nov. 3	Chas. Arthur	Male	Malvina and Joseph Lamorande
" 12		Female	Virginia and J. I. Mackey
Dec. 13		Male	Evelyn and Humphrey Gilbert
" 20		Male	Olive and Dan'l Robie
1898.			
Jan. 15		Female	Minetta and Fred W. Ellsworth

MARRIAGES RECORDED FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1898

DATE.	NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE.	RESIDENCE.	BY WHOM MARRIED.
1897.			
April 28	Geo. Leslie Hyde Victoria A. Cookson	Old Orchard, Me. Portland, Me.	D. M. Pratt, Portland, Me.
May 3	Edward Goochie Sarah M. Scott	Old Orchard, Me. Saco, Me.	H. W. Winkley, Saco, Me.
" 15	Walter Fletcher Mary Louise Nadeau	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	J. A. Snow, J. P. Scarboro, Me.
June 16	Herbert N. Burbank Mary Haines	Everett, Mass. Old Orchard, Me.	H. A. Wales, Biddeford, Me.
" 16	Oliver W. Alward Annie L. Talbutt	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	F. P. Estabrook, Biddeford, Me.
" 22	Sam' M. Griffin Jessie Edna Moses	Elmira, N. Y. Old Orchard, Me.	W. H. H. McAllister, O. Orch'd, Me.
July 3	Joshua A. Berry Amelia R. Green	Old Orchard, Me. Scarboro, Me.	S. H. Emery, Saco, Me.
Aug. 2	Wm. A. Green Nettie C. Peters	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	Geo. Spencer.
" 8	Benj. F. Richards Charl'te M. Crawford	Old Orchard, Me. Queenstown, N. B.	C. E. Goodwin, Scarboro, Me.
" 31	Hezekiah Chase Mahola M. Record	Old Orchard, Me. Kennebunk, Me.	Francis Grovenor, Old Orchard, Me.
Sept. 1	Elmer E. Googins Susan R. Berry	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	O. A. S. Mayberry, Old Orchard, Me.
Nov. 11	Harry E. McGrath Mary A. McAnley	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	Jared Whitman, Old Orchard, Me.
" 24	Cornelius H. Downs Sylvia H. Hobbs	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	A. H. Wright, Portland, Me.
Dec 8	Geo. W. Cleaves Lillian B. Smith	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	Walter Canham, Old Orchard, Me.
" 26	Llewellyn L. Bryant Edna Donoghue	Old Orchard, Me. " " "	Francis Grovenor, Old Orchard, Me.
1898			
Jan. 26	Edwin B. Carter Evvie J. Moses	Scarboro, Me. Old Orchard, Me.	W. H. H. McAllister, Portland, Me.

DEATHS RECORDED FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1898

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		
		Y	M	D
1897.				
Feb. 26	Fannie P. Rolfe	51	3	25
Mar. 4	Mary J. Danforth	47	4	9
" 16	Harriet C. Pillsbury	74	1	
" 21	Thos. Googins	80	11	5
" 22	Susan G. Lane	72		22
April 1	Lydia E. Harmon	73	8	18
" 12	Jane Googins	68		27
" 27	Francis F. Perkins	45	6	3
May 4	Albert H. Hall	79	9	
" 28	Leon A. Higgins	22	4	22
Aug. 1	Josephine Blanchard	29		2
" 21	Mamie Flynn	3		
Sept. 4	Lovey A. Pillsbury	61	8	
" 30	Delia E. Symmes	51	1	17
Oct. 2	Albert Dow	69		21
" 15	Dan'l Lucas	74	2	
" 15	John Lyons	60	10	23
" 30	Olga Elizabeth Fiske			
1898.				
Jan. 15	Not named			
" 20	Sarah F. Milliken	67	4	29

ANNUAL REPORTS.

I have attended to the examination of the town accounts of the Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Treasurer for the year ending Jan. 31, 1898, and find them correctly drawn and vouched for.

AUSTIN H. FISKE, AUDITOR.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

VALUATIONS, ASSESSMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, 1897.

Number of inhabitants, last census,	877
Rate of assessment, \$15.60 on \$1,000.	
Rate of assessment on polls, \$2.50.	
Valuation—Real Estate,	\$595,765 00
Personal Estate,	45,500 00
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	\$641,265 00
Assessments—Real Estate,	\$9,319 70
Personal Estate,	710 98
Polls, 269,	672 50
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	\$10,703 18
Appropriations—Town Tax,	\$7,481 60
State Tax,	2,070 91
County Tax,	893 80
Overlay,	256 87
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	\$10,703 18

SPECIAL LIMITS.

Valuation—Real Estate,	\$557,050 00	
Personal Estate,	39,180 00	
	<hr/>	\$596,230 00
Assessments—Real Estate,	\$3,721 38	
Personal Estate,	254 67	
232 Polls,	116 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,092 05
Appropriation—Special Limits,	\$3,950 00	
Overlay,	142 05	
	<hr/>	\$4,092 05
Rate on one thousand dollars, \$6 50.		
Polls, .50.		

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The expense of maintaining the town poor has been greater the past year than in any year before. We are now paying the board of three persons in the Insane asylum at Augusta—Mary J. Googins, J. K. Patterson and Douglass Robinson. We are also supporting three persons in town, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Prescott, two elderly women, and David Gowen, an elderly man. Five of these persons are undoubtedly permanent charges, while the young man Robinson, may or may not prove such. Several persons have received temporary assistance, and one deceased person has been given burial.

When it became apparent that both Mr. and Mrs. Patterson would become permanent charges, the Overseers deemed it wise to secure what was left of the Patterson farm property, which was held by H. Fairfield, Esq., as guardian of Mr. Patterson. The town had already paid out nearly \$600.00 for Mr. Patterson's support, and upon the payment, to Mr. Fairfield, of the amount due him for services as guardian—something more than \$100—he transferred by deed the entire estate to the town. This action was taken at the request and with the consent of Mrs. Patterson. The rent of the premises now nearly pays the board of Mrs. Patterson, whose health is such that she needs constant care.

Following are the amounts paid out on Poor department account:

Paid Maine Insane Hospital, board for Douglas Robinson, J. Patterson and Mary Patter- son,	\$295 66	
Howard T. Cleaves, expenses and services,	18 01	
J. A. Randall, M. D. services,	20 50	
Smith and Robie, supplies for D. Gowen and H. Burke,	36 33	
N. S. Walker, labor for D. Gowen,	1 05	
C. F. Staples, cash to Mrs. Pat- terson,	25 00	
F. H. Libby, supplies for G. Fenderson,	14 01	
I. T. Hough, watching, H. Hill,	8 00	
C. H. Webber, suit of clothes for D. Gowen,	10 00	
H. A. G. & B. F. Milliken, wood,	18 50	
W. S. Walker, acct. F. H. Libby,	75 00	
Mrs. J. K. Patterson acct.,	10 00	
G. L. Hyde, supplies for tramps,	11 27	
B. F. Milliken, cash to Mrs. Patterson,	5 00	
C. Richardson, milk, D. Gowen,	3 60	
H. Fairfield, Patterson farm,	665 65	
J. W. Duff, taking D. Robin- son to Augusta,	8 35	
W. A. Greene, board, Mrs. Styles,	5 00	
A. L. Luce, milk D. Gowen,	4 47	
J. L. Schute, boarding Mrs. Prescott,	39 65	
Geo. Cleaves, Repairing Pat- terson buildings,	13 88	
Mrs. F. Cleaves, boarding Mrs. Patterson,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,292 93

Appropriation,	\$500 00	
Rec'd of H. Fairfield for J. Patter-		
son's expenses,	557 39	
Rec'd from city of Deering for		
board and M. D. attendance		
on Mrs. Styles,	10 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,068 14
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$224 79

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD:

In submitting our annual report we beg leave to call your attention to several matters of importance connected with the financial condition of the town. The town debt remains substantially the same as last year, while a marked saving of interest has been provided for on the larger portion of it by the issuance of 20-year four per cent. bonds to the amount of ten thousand dollars, duly authorized by vote of the town. Our bonds sold at a premium of 3.03 per cent., giving us a bonus of \$303.00. In addition to this the town will save the handsome amount of \$2,000.00 in interest, in the twenty years which the bonds are to run. A wise plan would be for the town to establish a sinking fund by which this entire ten thousand dollars debt would be wiped out when it becomes due.

The historic "Salt Road" case has at last been decided in favor of the town. This is in the nature of good news. This case was begun in the courts in 1883, the year the town was incorporated. It originated in the attempt of certain Saco land owners to compel Old Orchard to build a new road across the marsh to the sea, beyond Ocean Park, at an expense of several thousand dollars. Every expedient known to the law was resorted to by our opponents for the accomplishment of this purpose, and it has cost this town some hundreds of dollars to protect its rights in the matter. The town has always stood ready to build the road by way of Temple Avenue, through Ocean Park: in fact, the road is already built there, and all that now needs to be done to open it to the public is the construction

of the crossing of the Boston & Maine railroad at Temple Avenue.

The sidewalks question is yearly assuming added importance. While comparatively few of our summer visitors ride, everybody walks; hence, anything that adds to the extent and convenience of our street promenades becomes at once a permanent attraction, which the thousands who come here annually are not slow to appreciate. For the avenues more largely patronized by promenaders, first class concrete is none too good, while gravel answers admirably on avenues less frequented. Plank walks ought not to be used at all, except in localities where the ground surface will not readily admit of anything better. When walks are laid as expensive as brick or concrete would be, provision should be made for abutments to bear a portion of the cost. Petitioners are already asking for walks of brick or concrete, which would cost several hundred dollars to build. That the walks are needed no one will question. While the town is hardly in condition to make a large outlay in any one year, the work of building permanent sidewalks on the principal avenues might well be begun this year, and continued from year to year until completed.

EDWARD M. YATES,) Selectmen
C. F. STAPLES,) of
B. F. MILLIKEN,) Old Orchard.

SPECIAL LIMITS.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Paid W. A. Whittier, supplies and services,	\$184 75
J. F. Haines, services,	118 00
J. W. Porter, services,	56 00
C. G. Libby, services,	68 00
J. Berry, services,	27 00

Paid H. W. Ricker, services,	19 00	
J. F. Maddox, services,	2 00	
E. Rogers, services,	4 00	
J. W. Duff, services,	4 00	
T. Lynch, labor,	1 50	
Atlantic Lodge, rent,	50 00	
Biddeford Journal, printing,	4 50	
H. B. Bennett, badges,	3 00	
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		\$541 75
Appropriation,		500 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 41 75

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid J. I. Mackey, services as chief,	
labor and material,	\$89 21
Wiley Googins, driver hook and	
ladder,	25 00
Nelson Walker, ladderman,	11 50
I. T. Hough, ladderman,	6 00
J. A. Berry, fireman,	15 00
F. A. Whittier, driver hose wagon,	37 50
L. L. Bryant, fireman,	6 00
R. R. Milliken, fireman,	15 00
Geo. Cleaves, fireman,	15 00
F. Maddox, fireman,	15 00
G. A. Fields, ladderman,	15 00
H. Ricker, ladderman,	15 00
A. G. Lyons, fireman,	15 00
A. Tibbetts, fireman,	15 00
J. H. Kirkpatrick, fireman and	
driving town team,	421 65
D. F. Furbush, labor and repair-	
ing,	3 00
R. S. Boulter, supplies,	2 00
G. I. Googins, fireman,	12 80

Paid W. L. Libby, services as engineer,	100 00	
Duff Construction Co., labor and supplies,	270 59	
A. Hamor, services at fires,	1 00	
P. F. Googins, fireman,	15 00	
T. Lynch, labor,	60	
F. H. Libby, fireman,	15 00	
O. A. French, fireman,	12 00	
F. Gegenheimer, services at fire,	1 50	
A. H. Fiske, ladderman,	13 00	
C. E. Atwood, coal,	19 85	
C. E. Fogg, supplies,	50	
H. B. Bennett, supplies,	10 80	
Edwards & Walker, supplies,	5 83	
Thos. Laughlin Co., supplies,	7 43	
N. S. Plummer, storing hose wagon,	5 00	
A. G. Prentiss, straw and hay,	108 66	
S. Phillips, services at fire,	1 00	
W. R. Hobbs, fireman,	9 00	
J. Carter, fireman,	4 50	
W. J. Mewer, supplies,	5 20	
A. C. Hamor, painting ladder truck,	15 00	
Mrs. M. F. Porter, hay,	32 90	
Guta Percha Rubber Co. hose,	269 25	
G. L. Hyde, supplies,	30	
Atlantic Lodge, rent,	150 00	
G. L. Thomas, storage,	4 50	
Jared Whitman, labor and supplies,	13 25	
F. H. Field, labor and supplies,	3 09	
	<hr/>	\$1,829 41
Appropriation,	\$1,000 00	
Rec'd of E. Berry for dressing,	10 00	

Rec'd of F. Moses, use town team,	3 50	
J. I. Mackey, use town team,		
street sprinkling,	123 37	
H. M. Cleaves, use town team,	12 50	
W. H. H. McAllister, use		
town team,	1 75	
Highways, sidewalks and		
streetlight department		
for use town team,	487 75	
E. H. Milliken, use town		
team,	1 50	
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		\$1,640 37
Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		<hr/>
		\$189 04

SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT.

Paid W. S. Walker, labor,	\$13 50
G. Cleaves, labor,	1 05
C. F. Fabyan, labor,	12 75
C. F. Staples, gravel,	40 00
Duff Construction Co., labor	
and supplies,	10 10
Googins Bros., gravel,	1 87
H. A. G. & B. F. Milliken, sup-	
plies,	242 98
E. Bellows, labor,	18 00
E. Stone, labor,	3 00
G. Fenderson, labor,	13 49
N. S. Walker, labor,	58 25
H. T. Cleaves, labor,	3 00
A. Haley, labor and team,	7 00
F. A. Whittier, labor and team,	58 62
E. M. Woods, labor,	3 00
F. Cleaves, labor,	9 37
H. Ellis, labor,	3 00

Paid W. J. Gilpatrick, labor,	45 00	
A. R. Smith, labor,	12 00	
T. Lynch, labor,	17 25	
L. C. Upham, labor,	1 50	
D. C. Campbell, labor,	36 00	
J. Scriptor, labor,	8 25	
G. L. Hyde, supplies,	5 29	
W. J. Mewer, material,	3 46	
Mrs. Jameson, gravel,	2 50	
Use of Town Team,	107 50	
	<hr/>	\$738 73
Appropriation,		500 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$238 73

HYDRANT RENTALS.

Paid O. O. Water Co.,	\$1,000 00	
Appropriation,		\$1,000 00

TOWN LIMITS.

STREET LIGHTS.

Paid G. L. Hyde, supplies,	\$ 21 84
C. E. Fogg, lamplighting sup- plies and repairing lamps,	183 20
F. H. Libby, supplies.	20 92
Duff Construction Co., supplies,	8 54
Traders' Express, supplies,	2 15
Globe Gas Light Co. lamps,	21 00
Daniel Campbell, labor,	21 00
Lord & Linnell, lamps,	2 70
C. G. Libby, lamplighting,	4 00

Paid Fire Department use of town team,	53 00	
	<hr/>	\$338 35
Appropriation,		362 00
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Unexpended Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 23 65

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Paid O. O. Electric Co.	\$918 00	
Appropriation,		\$918 00

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

Paid Duff Construction Co., labor material construction, and repairs,	\$1,335 72	
Duff Con. Co., Milliken St. Sewer,	125 66	
Boston & Maine R. R., labor,	3 40	
D. Schute, cleaning cesspools,	41 00	
J. F. Lombard, labor and ma- terial,	19 66	
	<hr/>	\$1,525 44
Appropriation,	\$700 00	
Cr. by Treas. books,	220 00	
Appropriation reduction town debt,	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,420 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898.		\$ 105 44

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Unexpended Jan. 31, 1897,	\$273 06	
By error, last report,	13 25	
By error on last report as voted at last town meeting,	216 23	
	<hr/>	\$502 54

Paid Emma D. Haines, teaching,	\$ 80 00	
Mrs. M. W. Means, teaching,	72 00	
Hattie G. Nichols, teaching,	54 00	
Sargent Clarke, janitor,	19 25	
C. M. Rice, Paper Co., supplies,	3 00	
W. S. Walker, labor,	1 50	
D. W. Schute, transportation,	72 50	
	<hr/>	\$302 25

Unexpended April 1, 1897 end of
school year, \$200 29

Paid Emma D. Haines, teaching,	\$243 00	
Hattie G. Nichols, teaching,	189 00	
Mrs. M. W. Means, teaching,	70 00	
Mildred M. Moses, teaching,	120 00	
Sargent Clarke, janitor,	63 51	
W. H. H. McAllister, coal,	100 09	
W. H. H. McAllister, expressage,	6 20	
Holden Book Co., supplies,	16 63	
Frank Moses, wood,	11 25	
Daniel Schute, transportation of scholars,	63 00	
Star Job Print, printing,	2 80	
D. H. Knowlton, printing,	3 79	
King & Merrill, supplies,	21 88	
Loring, Short and Harmon, supplies,	3 50	
G. L. Hyde, supplies,	1 72	
C. M. Rice Papper Co., supplies,	6 78	
F. W. Ellsworth, transportation of scholars,	91 25	
J. L. Hammett & Co., supplies,	8 23	
C. F. Staples, (S. Clarke)	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,028 63
Appropriation,	\$701 60	
School Fund Mill Tax,	448 37	

Tuition,	7 50	
Unexpended April 1, 1897,	200 29	
	<hr/>	\$1,357 76
Unexpended Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 339 13

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1897,	\$34 57	
Error on last report, as voted at last		
town meeting,	52 23	
Paid J. A. Nichols, teaching,	180 00	
C. M. Rice Paper Co., supplies,	1 50	
Sargent Clark, janitor,	11 41	
W. H. H. McAllister, coal,	8 00	
Holden Book Co., supplies,	3 81	
	<hr/>	\$291 52
Overdrawn June 1, 1897 ending		
school year,		\$291 52
Overdrawn June 1, 1897,	\$291 52	
Paid J. A. Nichols, teaching,	360 00	
Sargent Clarke, janitor,	24 01	
W. H. H. McAllister, express-		
age,	5 48	
W. H. H. McAllister, coal,	42 00	
Frank Moses, wood,	3 75	
Star Job Print, printing,	1 20	
Loring, Short & Harmon sup-		
plies,	2 50	
C. M. Rice Paper Co., supplies,	1 20	
Holden Pat. Book Co., sup-		
plies,	2 50	
King & Merrill, supplies,	8 32	
	<hr/>	\$742 48
Appropriation,	450 00	

Rec'd from State,	252 09	
Tuition,	33 00	
	<hr/>	\$735 09
Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		<hr/>
		\$ 7 39

REPAIRING SCHOOL HOUSES.

Paid Duff Construction Co., labor		
and material,	\$35 40	
Lord and Linnell, labor and		
material,	4 27	
J. F. Stearns, labor and material,	18 23	
W. H. H. McAllister,	7 00	
T. F. Foss & Sons,	6 00	
M. E. Hill, insurance,	114 16	
W. G. Smith, insurance,	12 00	
E. M. Wight,	4 15	
D. S. Bickford, labor and ma-		
terial,	3 50	
W. J. Mewer, labor and ma-		
terial,	8 98	
Mary A. Clarke, cleaning,	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$221 19
Appropriation,		100 00
		<hr/>
Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$121 19

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

Paid Ginn & Co.,	\$26 74
Thompson Brown,	2 44
Houghton Mifflin & Co.,	3 28
Wm. Ware & Co.,	1 52
W. H. H. McAllister, express-	
age,	4 00
Silver Burdett & Co.,	5 90

Paid Maynard, Morrill & Co.,	7 52	
Werner School Book Co.,	2 40	
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		\$53 80
Appropriation,		50 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 3 80

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Frank Moses, gravel and labor,	\$ 34 99
H. A. G. & B. F. Milliken,	
labor and team,	7 00
H. A. G. & B. F. Milliken,	
lumber and supplies,	67 95
C. F. Staples, gravel,	145 62
Duff Construction Co., supplies	
and labor,	102 37
Mrs. John Jameson, gravel,	15 49
A. P. Patterson, labor,	5 00
Daniel Schute, labor,	31 25
W. W. Moses, labor,	1 50
Albert Haley, labor and team,	48 49
C. W. Gorham, labor and team,	35 00
W. J. C. Milliken, labor and	
team,	54 25
F. A. Whittier, labor and team,	327 10
Thos. Lynch, labor,	19 72
Nelson Walker, labor,	12 75
William Costello, labor,	16 87
John Schute, labor,	4 50
C. F. Fabyan, labor,	21 00
W. S. Walker, labor,	6 00
J. Howland, labor,	10 50
Geo. Fabyan, labor,	5 25
E. Matthews, labor,	9 00
I. T. Hough, labor,	3 00
Harvey Robinson, labor,	15 00

Paid Edward Lyons, labor,	72 22
Belle Jordan, gravel,	17 12
Geo. Fenderson, labor,	26 47
Orrin Fenderson, labor,	28 12
E. Bellows, labor,	9 00
E. Stone, labor,	12 45
Minor Robinson, labor,	4 50
B. Patterson, labor,	1 50
Millard Bunker, labor,	11 25
Frank Cleaves, labor,	11 25
J. M. Trafton, labor and team,	14 00
M. F. Porter, labor and team,	14 75
City of Saco, road machine,	12 25
A. King, labor,	26 62
J. Scriptor, labor,	5 62
H. Ellis, labor,	11 62
E. M. Woods, labor,	5 25
C. Richardson, labor,	11 50
J. F. Lombard, labor,	3 00
R. Emmons, labor,	28 87
Googins Bros., gravel,	16 00
T. Celar, labor,	1 50
J. L. Baker, labor and team,	15 75
Albert Prince, labor,	4 50
Mathew Dunn, labor,	7 50
Mr. Anderson, labor,	2 25
L. Gouche, labor,	1 50
W. J. Mewer, labor,	8 75
Silas Boyden, labor,	3 75
John A. Allen, labor,	7 00
J. Berry, labor,	1 50
W. Gilbert, labor,	1 50
B. F. Milliken, labor,	7 00
William Greene, labor,	3 75
H. Allen, labor,	6 00

Paid John Lyons, labor,	6 00	
Fire Department use town team,	327 25	
	<hr/>	\$1,748 46
Appropriation,		\$1,500 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$248 46

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid B. F. Milliken, services as se-		
lectman,	\$ 70 00	
C. F. Staples, services as se-		
lectman,	60 00	
E. M. Yates, services as se-		
lectman,	100 00	
W. J. C. Milliken, services as		
clerk and treasurer,	100 00	
W. H. H. McAllister, services		
as school superintendent,	39 00	
E. M. Yates, services as audi-		
tor 1896-97,	25 00	
E. H. Milliken services as		
moderator,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$404 00
Appropriations,		400 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 4 00

COMMISSIONS, ABATEMENTS AND DISCOUNTS.

Paid C. H. Milliken, abatements,	6 85
Allen H. Cook, abatements,	4 10
J. I. Mackey, abatements,	2 24
Lowell Simons, abatements,	2 36
Fred I. Luce, commission,	81 40
Fred I. Luce, commission,	192 82

Paid Fred I. Luce, discounts,	769 27	
Fred I. Luce, abatements,	166 98	
	<hr/>	\$1,226 02
Appropriation,		950 00
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 276 02

LAND DAMAGE.

Paid O. O. Water Co. land taken on		
O. O. road,	\$ 35 00	
Orrin B. Ranlett, land taken on		
Grand Ave.,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$135 00
Appropriation,		\$150 00
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Unexpended Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 15 00

SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

Paid F. A. Whittier, by note of town,	\$46 50	
D. W. Schute, labor and haul-		
ing waste,	70 00	
Thos. Lynch, labor,	1 05	
Geo. W. Butler, services 1896,	30 00	
J. A. Randall, services board		
of health,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$157 55
Appropriation,	\$250 00	
Rec'd of G. W. Butler, collecting		
waste,	30 75	
	<hr/>	\$280 75
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Unexpended Jan. 31, 1898,		\$123 20

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid J. I. Mackey, street sprinkling ac't.,	\$ 9 80
W. J. C. Milliken, fees,	13 25
Jas. R. Kirkpatrick, care of tramps,	25 00
O. H. Yates, taking soldier and dog census,	8 00
Star Job Print, printing,	77 40
Biddeford Journal, printing and advertising,	23 76
C. E. Fogg, supplies,	3 25
M. F. Porter, hall rent, 1896 & 1897,	108 00
Loring, short and Harmon, books,	12 00
W. J. Mewer, labor and sup- plies,	23 19
E. M. Yates, legal services 1896,	7 75
Duff Construction Co., sup- plies,	8 94
F. A. Whittier, team,	2 00
Lewiston Journal, advertising bonds,	1 00
Portland Press, advertising bonds,	75
Portland Argus, advertising bonds,	1 12
Mrs. Boswell, damage to gar- den,	1 00
L. M. Webb. legal services, road case,	50 00
Bailey & Noyes, supplies,	3 00
C. F. Staples, supplies,	9 70
E. Fiske, supplies,	2 23

Paid J. A. Randall, M. D. services,	3 50	
S. C. Parcher, services placing bonds,	100 00	
G. H. & L. Haley, services on road case,	95 24	
H. A. G. & B. F. Milliken, wood,	1 50	
Newell White, blanks for col- lector,	3 04	
Lakeside Press, printing bonds,	13 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 607 92
Appropriation,	\$300 00	
Credit by Treasurer's books,	713 50	
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Unexpended Jan. 31, 1898, (true balance)		\$105 58
Paid Common Schools to correct school report as voted at last town meeting,	\$216 23	
Unexpended June 31, 1898 (True balance)	105 58	
	<hr/>	\$110 65
Rec'd from High school, to correct school report as voted at last town meeting,	\$52 23	
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Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898, (Forced balance.)		\$ 58 42
True balance Jan. 31, 1898 Unex- pended,	\$105 58	
Forced or closing balance Jan. 31, 1898 overdrawn,	58 42	

SPECIAL INTEREST.

Paid Anna O. Fiske,	\$ 24 68	
People's Savings Bank, Lewis-		
ton,	234 66	
L. S. Griswold,	57 22	
Jose, Parker & Co., Boston,	160 00	
	<hr/>	\$476 56
Appropriation,	\$250 00	
Credit as per Treasurer's books,	19 74	
	<hr/>	\$269 74
Overdrawn Jan. 31, 1898,		<hr/> \$206 82

TOWN INTEREST.

Paid Jose Parker & Co., Boston,	\$40 00	
E. L. Gould,	135 00	
York Nat. Bank, Saco,	95 61	
	<hr/>	\$270 61
Cr. as per Treasurer's books,	68 49	
Appropriation,	350 00	
	<hr/>	\$418 49
Unexpended Jan, 31, 1898,		<hr/> \$147 88

ESTIMATED APPROPRIATIONS.

The following list of estimated appropriations for the ensuing year is respectfully submitted:

Town officers,	\$ 400 00
Common schools,	701 60
Free Text books,	50 00
School house repairs,	100 00
Highways and bridges,	1,200 00
Poor department,	700 00
Street lights,	1,300 00
Contingent department,	400 00
Sanitary department,	200 00
Interest—Town,	200 00
Interest, special,	300 00
Commissions, abatements and discounts,	1,000 00
Police department,	500 00
Sidewalks,	1,000 00
Fire department,	500 00
Hydrant rental,	1,000 00
Sinking fund,	400 00
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	\$9,951 60

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

TO THE SELECTMEN AND AUDITOR OF THE TOWN OF OLD
ORCHARD, ME:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my report as collector of
taxes for the Town of Old Orchard Me., for the year end-
ing January 31st, 1898.

TAX YEAR 1890,	TOWN.	SPECIAL.
Amount committed,	\$8,191 35	\$2,813 51
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	8,096 92	2,800 35
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Balance Uncollected,	94 43	13 16
TAX YEAR 1891,		
Amount committed,	\$8,474 91	\$3,145 61
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	8,389 30	3,107 55
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Balance uncollected,	85 61	38 06
TAX YEAR 1892,		
Amount committed,	\$7,746 67	\$2,589 62
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	7,667 23	2,558 50
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Balance uncollected,	79 44	31 12
TAX YEAR 1893.		
Amount committed,	\$9,853 25	\$2,645 75
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	9,458 68	2,545 58
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Balance uncollected,	394 57	100 17
TAX YEAR 1894.		
Amount committed,	\$8,734 25	\$2,497 86
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	8,542 60	2,480 59
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Balance uncollected,	191 65	17 27

TAX YEAR 1895.

Amount committed,	\$9,647 59	\$3,255 12
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	<u>9,412 01</u>	<u>3,195 63</u>
Balance uncollected,	235 58	59 49

TAX YEAR 1896,

Amount committed,	\$10,867 27	\$3,069 12
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	<u>10,657 13</u>	<u>3,039 60</u>
Balance uncollected,	210 14	29 52

TAX YEAR 1897.

Amount committed,	\$10,703 18	\$4,092 05
Cr. by Treas. rec'pts,	<u>9,542 07</u>	<u>3,567 35</u>
Balance uncollected,	1,161 11	524 70

Respectfully submitted,

FRED I. LUCE,

Collector of Taxes.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. J. C. MILLIKEN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD, ME.

DR.

To balance on hand, Feb. 1st, 1897, (corrected)	\$ 758 12
Town Note No. 106,	2,000 00
" " " 107,	1,000 00
" " " 108,	1,000 00
" " " 109,	1,000 00
" " " 110,	600 00
" " " 111,	600 00
Mortgage bonds, Nos. 1 to 20 inclusive,	10,000 00
A. S. Hamilton, license,	5 00
J. E. Nelson, "	3 00
S. W. Holt, "	10 00
C. R. Whitmore, "	10 00
N. C. Field, "	15 00
Lorin Doe, "	3 00
Frank C. Bostock, "	5 00
H. W. Staples, "	10 00
Chas. Fiske, "	10 00
Wahab & Ally, "	6 00
Abraham Weinstein, "	6 00
Geo. N. Elliott, "	3 00
Peter Cote, "	6 00
M. E. Moulton, "	50
Louis Alberts, "	5 00
Use of Porter's Hall,	13 00
Correction of High School account, by vote of Town,	52 23

Correction of Common school account, by vote of Town,	216 23
Premium on Bonds, Nos. 1 to 20 inclusive,	303 00
State of Maine, Free High School,	252 09
" " School Fund & Mill Tax,	448 37
" " Railroad & Telegraph,	13 12
J. E. McPhee, tuition of Son,	33 00
E. H. Milliken, hauling gravel,	1 50
W. H. H. McAllister, town team,	1 75
J. I. Mackey, " "	123 37
H. N. Cleaves, " "	12 50
Frank Moses, " "	3 50
Street Lights, " "	53 00
Highways, " "	327 25
Sidewalks, " "	107 50
Ezra Berry, dressing,	10 00
City of Deering,	10 75
H. Fairfield, expenses of J. Patterson,	557 39
E. Richards, tuition of daughter,	7 50
Town Interest account,	68 49
Special Interest account,	19 74
L. W. Hawkes, sewer assessments,	30 00
Mrs. F. M. Jacobs, " "	15 00
Mrs. J. Church, " "	15 00
C. F. Staples, " "	10 00
Mrs. A. J. Parmenter, " "	15 00
Mrs. W. H. Snow, " "	15 00
A. F. Houston, " "	5 00
E. H. Nelligan, " "	20 00
E. M. Wight, " "	15 00
Mrs. O. M. Clifford, " "	15 00
J. G. Haywood, " "	15 00
H. T. Lord, " "	20 00
E. C. Stone, " "	15 00
Dennison Dinsmore, " "	15 00

F. I. Luce, collector,	1890	tax,	10 01
" " "	1891	"	10 05
" " "	1892	"	10 91
" " "	1893	"	57 86
" " "	1994	"	126 17
" " "	1895	"	198 04
" " "	1896	"	1,179 52
" " "	1897	"	13,067 03
Dog License,			50 25
Geo. W. Butler, received for collecting waste,			30 75
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			\$34,651 49

CR.

By paid Town Note, No. 104,	\$1,000 00
" " " " 105,	1,000 00
" " " " 106,	2,000 00
" " " " 107,	1,000 00
" " " " 108,	1,000 00
" " " " 109	1,000 00
" " " " 110,	600 00
" " " " 111,	600 00
" " " " 54,	256 00
" " " " 75,	4,000 00
" " " " 81,	2,000 00
" H. Fairfield, for Patterson farm.	665 65
" account Poor,	627 28
" " Contingent,	824 15
" " High school.	707 91
" " Police,	541 75
" " Commissions, abatements and discounts,	1,226 02
" " Fire department.	1,829 41
" " Hydrant rental.	1,000 00
" " State pensions,	60 00
" " Sidewalks,	738 73

By paid account Town officers,	404 00
" " Common schools,	1,330 88
" " Free text books,	53 80
" " Electric lights,	918 00
" " Sanitary,	157 55
" " Town Interest,	270 61
" " Special interest,	476 56
" " Enlarging and repairing school houses,	221 19
" " Land damage,	135 00
" " Sewers,	1,525 44
" " Highways,	1,748 46
" " Street Lights,	338 35
" State of Maine tax, 1896,	1,090 63
" " " " 1897,	461 49
" State account dog tax,	45 00
" Clerk's fee,	5 25
Cash on hand,	2,792 38
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	\$34,651 49

LIABILITIES.

Note No. 88,	\$1,000 00
" " 89,	1,000 00
" " 90,	1,000 00
Mortgage Bonds, Nos. 1 to 20 inclusive,	10,000 00
Outstanding bills, (estimated)	200 00
Due Schools,	320 24
Accrued interest on notes and bonds,	102 66
Due on State tax,	1,609 45
" " County tax,	893 80
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	\$16,126 15

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand,	\$ 2,792 38
Town property,	3,090 00
Patterson farm,	665 65
Due from sewer assessments, including ac-	
crued interest,	787 69
" F. I. Luce, Collector, 1890 taxes,	107 59
" " " " 1891 "	123 67
" " " " 1892 "	110 56
" " " " 1893 "	494 74
" " " " 1894 "	208 92
" " " " 1895 "	295 07
" " " " 1896 "	239 66
" " " " 1897 "	1,728 20
" accrued interest on 1890, '91, '92,	
'93, '94, '95, '96, '97 taxes,	393 85
" Breeders' Mile Track Association,	
labor of town team,	80 50
" C. W. Ross, tax deed 1887, tax sale,	50
" F. B. Ross, tax deed 1887, tax sale,	50
" J. M. Woodbury, labor of town team,	3 50
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	\$11,122 98

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. C. MILLIKEN,

Treasurer of the Town of Old Orchard.

SUMMARY.

	APPROPRIATION.	UNEXPENDED.	OVERDRAWN.	PAGE.
Town Officers	\$ 400 00	\$	\$ 4 00	27
Common Schools	701 60	339 13		21
High School	450 00		7 39	23
Free Text Books	50 00		3 80	24
Repairing School Houses	100 00		121 19	24
Highways & Bridges	1,500 00		248 46	25
Street and Land Damage	150 00	15 00		28
Poor	500 00		224 79	11
Contingent	300 00		58 42	29
Street Lights	362 00	23 65		20
Electric Lights	918 00			21
Sanitary	250 00	123 20		28
Interest, Town	350 00	147 28		31
" Special	250 00		206 82	31
Com. Abatements and Discounts	950 00		276 02	27
Police	500 00		41 75	16
Sidewalks	500 00		238 73	19
Fire Department	1,000 00		189 04	17
Hydrants	1,000 00			20
Sewers	700 00		105 44	21
Reduction Town Debt	500 00			

CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN
OF OLD ORCHARD:

According to the custom and by-laws of the town it becomes my duty to submit my annual report, although we have had a very uneventful year as regards fires. I can report the membership complete and the fire apparatus in good servicable condition, with the improvements voted at the last town meeting added thereto. Also, the society from which we rent our Engine Room, have built for us a very convenient Tower for drying our hose, which has filled a long felt want, in the department.

We have been very fortunate during the past year, having but four alarms that called out the department, and all of them causing but slight damage in either instance.

We should have five hundred feet more hose in the department, but we may with good luck manage to get along another year with what we have at present, although I think it very poor economy to try to do so. We have at present one thousand feet of good hose, and five hundred feet fairly good, the balance being too old and tender to stand the steamer pressure.

I would earnestly recommend the replacing of the Hydrants, (the one on Old Orchard Street, near the old post-office and the one on Grand Avenue, near the Sea Shore House) with Hydrants that have a five inch connection for attaching the suction hose of the steamer, those now occupying the said places are only fitted with the two inch connections, and therefore of but little use for attaching the

steamer thereto. Trusting you will see the necessity of making this improvement, and with the knowledge of the efficiency of the members, and the improved condition of the Fire Department, they should make a better showing in fighting the fire fiend than ever they could before in their history.

Respectfully submitted,

J. I. MACKEY,

Chief Fire Department.

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD ME.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit for your consideration the fifteenth annual report of the Old Orchard Police Department for the year ending Jan. 31, 1898.

Appropriation, \$500, 00
Chief of Police, W. A. Whittier.
Officer on regular duty, John F. Haines.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Atlantic Lodge, rent of Station,	\$ 50 00	
W. A. Whittier, services and supplies,	184 75	
John F. Haines,	118 00	
Harry W. Ricker,	19 00	
Joshua Berry,	27 00	
Eli Rogers,	4 00	
C. F. Maddox,	2 00	
Thos. Lynch, cleaning Station,	1 50	
H. B. Bennett, badges,	3 00	
Biddeford Journal, printing,	4 50	
	<hr/>	\$413 75
Unexpended, Jan. 31, 1898,		\$ 86 25

Whole number of arrests 81 for offences as follows:

Assault,	4
Cheating by false pretenses,	2
Forgery,	1
Furnishing liquor to prisoner,	1
Gambling,	5
House of ill fame,	2
Intoxication,	31
Illegal keeping of liquors,	1
Larceny	3
Pickpocket,	1
Peddling without a licence,	1
Resisting officers,	1
Tramps,	16
Vagrants,	12
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	81

Tramps kept over night not prosecuted 33.

REMARKS.

These are all the bills in the Police Department of which I have any official knowledge, although I understand there are others which I had no personal hand in contracting, was never asked to approve, and have never seen.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. WHITTIER,

Chief of Police.

Note by Selectmen.—The expenditure of the police appropriation is wholly under the control of the Seelctmen, as also are all police officers, who are appointed by them. No police officer has power to contract or pay bills, and is required to approve such bills only as he may have personal knowledge of. See page 16, for expenditures in the police department.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD:

I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of Schools for the year 1897-8, as required by law.

At the last town election, Jared Whitman and Fred Ellsworth were elected as members of the Superintending School Committee as successors of J. Wesley Duff and Jesse A. Randall, whose terms expired by limitation.

The School Board at the beginning of the year consisted of Jared Whitman, Fred Ellsworth and W. H. H. McAllister.

The Board was organized by the election of Jared Whitman as chairman, and W. H. H. McAllister as Superintendent of schools and secretary *ex-officio*.

Later a law was passed by the State Legislature providing that School Boards should not elect one of their members to serve as Superintendent of Schools. This was promulgated by the State Superintendent of Schools with the interpretation that wherever in the organization of School Boards a member was holding the office of Superintendent he should elect which office he would retain and resign the other, upon which resignation the board should proceed to fill the vacancy. In accordance with this requirement W. H. H. McAllister resigned his position as a member of the School Board, and A. O. French was duly elected and qualified to fill the vacancy. Mr. French's term of office expires with this year, and his successor must be chosen at the approaching election.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance on hand, last Report,	\$286 31	
Rec'd from correction of errors,	216 23	
" Town appropriation,	701 60	
" Tuition,	7 50	
" State School Fund,	448 37	
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Total Receipts,		\$1660 01

EXPENDITURES.

For Instruction,	\$800 00	
" Transportation,	226 75	
" Janitor,	88 76	
" Fuel and other supplies,	215 37	
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		\$1330 88
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Balance unexpended,		\$329 13

HIGH SCHOOL.

Rec'd from Town,	\$450 00	
" State,	252 09	
" Tuition,	33 00	
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Total Receipts,		\$735 09

EXPENDITURES.

Overdrawn last Report,	\$36 07	
For Instruction,	540 00	
" Current expenses,	115 68	
" Correction of errors,	52 23	
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		\$743 98
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Balance overdrawn,		\$8 89

Unpaid Tuition, \$9 00

Besides the above expenditures for the Common and High Schools the following general expenses have been incurred:

For Insurance on School Buildings, \$114 16

“ Repairs, 107 03

“ Free Text Books, 53 80

The following estimates are submitted for the support of the Schools the coming year:

For Common Schools, \$701 60

“ High Schools, 450 00

“ Repairs, 100 00

“ Free Text Books, 50 00

SCHOOL CENSUS AND ATTENDANCE.

The School Census of 1897 showed 185 persons of school age—4 to 21 years of age—in town. The following table shows the attendance for the year:

TERM.	HIGH.	GRAMMAR.	INTERMEDIATE.	PRIMARY.
Winter	15	29	30	31
Spring	14	31	31	50
Fall	11	30	31	35

There are in attendance this present term, High School, 10, Grammar School, 28, Intermediate, 25, Primary, 27. Seven of our young people of school age are attending school in Portland and two in Saco.

INSTRUCTORS.

Mr. J. A. Nichols has been continued as Principal of the High School. The fact that this is his fourth year in continuous service speaks more for his efficiency than any words of praise can do.

Miss Haines still holds her place in the Grammar school and can do so without doubt, as long as she chooses to remain with us.

Miss Helen G. Nichols was teaching her trial term when I made my last report. It is enough to her praise to say that she passed her probation successfully, was engaged for the Spring term, and then was re-elected without opposition for the present year.

Miss Mildred M. Moses succeeded Mrs. Means as teacher of the Primary school at the beginning of the Fall term. For a teacher who had had no experience except in practice schools, she has done excellent work.

COURSES OF STUDY.

The State Superintendent of Schools has prepared and sent out carefully graded Courses of Study for both Common and High Schools. These have been adopted and are being followed as far as circumstances will allow.

Our schools on the whole are doing very satisfactory work. They are carefully graded and are moving on steadily toward clearly defined objective points.

The instruction is made as practical as possible. The teachers are doing good work. With the hearty co-operation of parents and friends, there is no reason why we should not have model schools.

It is to be regretted that the attendance in the High School has fallen so low. It has, without doubt, reached the minimum, and from this time a steady increase can be reasonably expected. The careful grading of the Town schools will insure this. A larger attendance may be confidently expected next year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. H. McALLISTER.

Superintendent of Schools.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1898.

*To W. A. Whittier, Constable of the Town of Old Orchard,
in the County of York,*

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Old Orchard qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Porter's Hall in said town, on Monday, the seventh day of March, A. D. 1898, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- 1st. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- 2nd. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
- 3rd. To hear and act upon the report of the town officers and all standing and special committees.
- 4th. To see what action the town will take in relation to pay of town officers.
- 5th. To see what sum of money the town will raise: 1st, for common schools; 2nd, free high school; 3rd, for free text books; 4th, making and repairing highways and bridges; 5th, support of poor; 6th, pay of town officers; 7th, maintaining street lights and electric lights; 8th, contingent expenses; 9th, sanitary expenses; 10th, interest; 11th, repairing school houses.
- 6th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay collector's commissions, abatements and discounts.

7th. To see what compensation the town will vote to pay the Collector for collecting taxes, for all moneys actually collected.

8th. To see if the town will vote when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector for collection, and what discount shall be allowed on both town and special, if paid within a given date, and charge interest thereon, thereafter.

9th. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to hire money in anticipation of taxes and not exceed the same.

10th. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to issue town notes to pay those which fall due the present year.

11th. To see if the town will authorize the Assessors to make such abatements as they think reasonable.

12th. To see if the town will vote to establish an electric light at the Junction of Grand Avenue and Traynor street.

13th. To see if the town will vote to discontinue and fill up the reservoir on Highland Avenue, or take any other action in relation thereto.

14th. To see if the town will vote to establish a Free Public Library, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or to take any other action in reference thereto.

15th. To see if the town will vote to accept Bradbury street, as laid out by the Selectmen, to be used as a common dumping ground for waste.

16th. To see if the town will vote to accept Francis street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

17th. To see if the town will vote to accept Winona Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

18th. To see if the town will vote not to allow Indians to encamp within village limits, or what other action they will take in relation thereto.

19th. To see if the town will vote to construct a cross-walk on Old Orchard street, near the foot of Railroad Ave-

nue or on Railroad Avenue, by consent of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

20th. To see if the town will vote to establish a sinking fund for the extinguishment of the town debt, and raise a sum of money therefor.

21st. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to repair Ross Road, so called, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, not to exceed three hundred dollars.

22nd. To see if the town will vote to authorize the superintending school committee to contract with and pay the trustees or directors of any academy or high school, for the tuition of such scholars resident in Old Orchard as may desire to attend such academy or high school, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State, and what sum of money the town will appropriate therefor.

23rd. To see what action the town will take and what sum of money the town will raise to maintain a police force; construct and maintain sidewalks; to construct and maintain sewers; to maintain fire department; for hydrant rental; for interest on debt incurred in fire department, sewers and loan, all within the limits set out in Section IV, of the act of Incorporation of the town of Old Orchard, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in said act.

24th. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to build a sidewalk, of brick or concrete, from Boston & Main Railroad walk to Old Orchard Road, on the northerly side of Staples street; also, from Charles Butler's residence to high water mark, on the northerly side of Old Orchard street; also, on the westerly side of Grand Avenue, from Old Orchard street northerly, about twelve hundred feet, all within the limits set out in Section IV, of the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Old Orchard, and what sum of money they will appropriate therefor, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in said act.

25th. To see if the town will vote to construct, or otherwise provide a Hose House suitable for the accommodation of the Campground Hose-reel, and what sum of money it will appropriate therefor, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in Section IV, of the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Old Orchard.

26th. To see if the town will vote to pay the Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department eighteen dollars a year for his services, to date from and after February 1, 1897, within the limits set out in Section IV, of the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Old Orchard, and what sum of money it will appropriate therefor, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in said act.

27th. To see if the town will vote to provide a Hose-reel, with five hundred feet of hose, spanners, hydrant wrench, etc., to be located at or near the foot of Union Avenue, for the protection of property in that locality, and what sum of money they will appropriate therefor, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in Section IV, of the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Old Orchard.

28th. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer on Central Park Avenue, beginning at Washington Avenue and running to Longwood Avenue, a distance of about eight hundred feet, and what sum of money they will appropriate therefor, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in Section IV, of the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Old Orchard.

29th. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer, beginning on Ocean Avenue, near the residence of Charles W. Smith, and running through said Avenue to Hillside Avenue, thence through said Hillside Avenue to Union Avenue sewer, about eight hundred and fifty feet, and what sum of money they will appropriate therefor, to be a separate tax, to be assessed and collected as provided in Section IV, of the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Old Orchard.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at Porter's Hall, for the purpose of revising and correcting the voting list, on the morning of election from 8 to 10 o'clock A. M.

Given under our hand this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1898.

EDWARD M. YATES,) Selectmen
C. F. STAPLES, ; of
B. F. MILLIKEN,) Old Orchard.